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Wylie Recreation Center Garners Statewide Recognition
Receives TRAPS Award for Design Excellence

Wylie, TX, March 28, 2013 – The City of Wylie and Holzman-Moss Bottino Architecture were honored to receive the Recreation Facility Design Excellence Award from the Texas Recreation and Park Society (TRAPS) at the 2013 TRAPS Institute & EXPO Annual Awards Dinner. The Wylie Recreation Center is the only facility in the State of Texas to be recognized with the Recreation Facility Design Excellence Award.

“Our Recreation Center has become a fantastic focal point for our community providing a place to exercise, learn and interact,” says City Manager Mindy Manson. “We are very proud to receive the state-wide recognition.”

The Recreation Facility Design Excellence Award recognizes both the parks and recreation department and the design professional for their teamwork for the design of a recreational facility. Submissions are judged on originality, innovation, and adaptability of the design; evidence of cooperation between design professionals and parks and recreation professionals; and evidence of impact on the community.

Located at 300 Country Club Road, as part of the Wylie’s 140,000 sq. ft. Municipal Complex, the 47,000 sq. ft. Recreation Center is a place where the entire family can benefit from health, fitness and fun. Amenities include a 40’ X 28’ climbing wall, walking track, cardio mezzanine with more than 35 pieces of equipment, fitness area featuring machines and free weights, aerobics room, gym, lockers, classrooms and more.

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The TRAPS Recreation Facility Design Excellence Award is the third award the Recreation Center has received in the past year. On November 9, 2012 the facility was recognized with the TRAPS Region 3 Design Excellence Award; and with the Innovation Award for Facility Design and Construction by the DFW Metropolitan Area Park and Recreation Directors Association (DMAPRDA) on July 20, 2012.

TRAPS is a non-profit 501(c)3 professional and educational organization founded 75 years ago. TRAPS is committed to advancing the field of parks, recreation and leisure services in Texas, while advocating for enhanced recreation opportunities and the increase of public green space for Texans. There are more than 2,000 professional and citizen-advocate members of the Texas Recreation and Park Society.

Go to www.WylieTexas.gov/recreationcenter for more information, or contact Recreation Center Manager Carmen Powlen by email carmen.powlen@wylietexas.gov, or call 972-516-6360. Parks and Recreation Superintendent Robert Diaz may be contacted by email, robert.diaz@wylietexas.gov, or by phone 972-516-6341.

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About Wylie -- Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall Counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, an ISO #1 rating and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 43,000) is one of the fastest growing communities in the State of Texas with a 184% increase since 2000.